#### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Reissue Patent Application of:	)	Attorney Docket No. 23439-051-701 (Formerly 47382.000060)		
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Filed: September 22, 2000	)	Examiner:	Not yet assigned	PETITIONS OFFICE

For: SPEED AND ACCELERATION MONITORING DEVICE USING VISIBLE

LASER BEAMS

#### RESPONSE TO DISMISSAL OF APPLICANTS' PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.47

Box DAC: Attn: Alesia M. Brown Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the dismissal notice mailed September 6, 2001 ("dismissal notice") and in accordance with the guidance of Petitions Attorney Alesia M. Brown, Applicants respectfully submit a copy of the reissue declaration originally filed April 26, 2001.

The dismissal notice states that Petitioners lack a declaration in compliance with 35 U.S.C. §§ 115 and 116. However, Applicants respectfully submit that a reissue declaration was filed on April 26, 2001. In an October 11, 2001 telephone interview with Petitions Attorney Alesia M. Brown, applicant's representative was instructed to submit a copy of the April 26, 2001 declaration for further consideration by the Petitions Attorney.

Applicants and Applicants' representative thank Petitions Attorney Brown for the courtesies extended during the telephone conference. Applicants' representative

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respectfully submit that he may be reached at 703-464-8159 if the Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.47 is still found to be lacking.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: November 2, 2001

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CARCE OF FEMILY DECISION DISMISSING PETITION UNDER 37 CFR

1.47(b)

This is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.47(b)  $\Downarrow$  filed April 26, 2001.

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The petition is PISTASSED.

Rule 47 applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the mailing date of this decision to reply, correcting the below-noted deficiencies. Any reply should be entitled "Request for Reconsideration of Petition Under 37 CFR 1.47(b)," and should FAX RECEIVED only address the deficiencies noted below, except that the reply may include an oath or declaration executed by the non-signing inventor. Failure to respond will result in NOV 0 2 **200**1 abandonment of the application. Any extensions of time will be governed by 37 CFR 1.136(a). PETITIONS OFFICE

The above-identified reissue application was filed September 22, 2000 without an executed oath or declaration and naming James H. Johnson and John DiDomenico as joint inventors. Accordingly, on October 26, 2000, a "Notice to File Missing Parts of Application" was mailed, requiring an executed oath or declaration, and a surcharge for its late filing. The instant petition and request for extension of time were filed in response.

A grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.47(b) requires: (1) proof that the non-signing inventor cannot be reached or refuses to sign the oath or declaration after having been presented with the application papers (specification, claims and drawings); (2) an acceptable oath or declaration in compliance with 35 U.S.C. §§ 115 and 116; (3) the petition fee; (4) a statement of the last known address of the non-signing inventor; (5) proof of proprietary interest; and (6) a showing that such action is required to preserve the rights of the parties or to prevent irreparable damages.

Petitioner lacks item(2) set forth above.

As to item (2), an acceptable oath or declaration for the patent application in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 has not been presented. The declaration submitted herewith is unacceptable as it does not indicate the post office address and residence of either of the named inventors. Additionally, the declaration has not been executed. An oath or declaration Application No. 09/667,693

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signed by one other than a named inventor should be executed by a corporate officer of the assignee company, such as the president, vice president, secretary, or treasurer on behalf of and as agent for the non-signing inventor. The name, address, and title of the corporate officer should be included. Petitioner's attention is directed to MPEP 409.03(b) for further guidance.

Further correspondence with respect to this matter should be addressed as follows:

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Telephone inquiries regarding this decision should be directed to Petitions Attorney Alesia M. Brown at (703) 305-0310.

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PATENT Attorney Docket No. 47382.000060

#### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Inventors:	James H. JOHNSON John DIDOMENICO	) )
Original Patent No.:	5,812,249	) FAX RECEIVED
- Original Issue Date:	September 22, 1998	NOV 0 2 2001
Reissue Application No.:	09/667,693	PETITIONS OFFICE
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## PETITION TO ACCEPT REISSUE DECLARATION EXECUTED BY ASSIGNEE DUE TO MISSING AND UNWILLING INVENTORS AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

### PETITION TO ACCEPT REISSUE DECLARATION EXECUTED BY ASSIGNEE DUE TO MISSING AND UNWILLING INVENTORS

Responsive to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Reissue Application mailed October 26, 2000, this is a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(b) for the Commissioner to accept a reissue declaration executed by the assignee of the above referenced patent.

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The following associated materials are enclosed:

- 1) petition fee of \$130.00;
- 2) late declaration surcharge of \$130.00;
- 2) Reissue Application Declaration by Assignee; and,
- 3) Declaration in Support of Petition to Accept Reissue Declaration Executed by Assignee (and associated exhibits).

Petitioner has been unsuccessful in gaining the cooperation of either named inventor after diligent effort. Therefore, petitioner respectfully requests that the Patent Office accept the enclosed reissue declaration executed by the assignee's representative. Petitioner believes the enclosed Reissue Application Declaration by Assignee fulfills the oath required by 37 CFR 1.63 and 1.64 or 1.175. The relationship to the inventor is made clear in that petitioner has previously provided a certificate pursuant 37 CFR 3.73(b) demonstrating its position as assignee of the original application and fulfilling 37 CFR 1.47(b). The attached Declaration in Support of Petition to Accept Reissue Declaration Executed by Assignee is believed to provide sufficient proof that the inventors (1) cannot be found or reached after diligent effort or (2) refuse to execute the application papers. The last known addresses of the inventors are:

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The filing of the application was necessary to preserve the rights of the parties or prevent irreparable harm. The original patent was wholly or partially inoperative or invalid by virtue of the applicants claiming less than they were entitled to claim. A broadening reissue was necessary to correct these errors. The application was filed on the last day that a broadening reissue is available pursuant 35 USC § 251 in order to prevent loss of the right to correct the patent.

Entry of the enclosed Reissue Application Declaration by Assignee is hereby respectfully requested.

#### <u>PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME</u>

Petitioner respectfully requests an extension of time for four months from the original responsive filing deadline of December 26, 200 to April 26, 2001. Enclosed is the petition fee of \$1390.00 pursuant 37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17(a).

#### CONCLUSION

A check in the amount of \$1650.00 is enclosed to cover the three fees identified above. Petitioner believes no additional fees to be necessary. However, in the event that the enclosed fees are insufficient, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency to Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

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Petitioner would be happy to provide any further information or assistance which may help expedite the petition. If such additional information or assistance is desired, please contact petitioner at the telephone number below.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: April 26, 2001

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